

## AWESOME: BUILDING GREAT RELATIONSHIPS

What would it feel like to be more deeply known by a few close friends? Would this free your mind and spirit to trust God and others more intimately? Do you want to be loved for who you are and not just the person you portray at work, with friends, or on social media? How can you build and invest in healthy relationships? In this two-week Scripture reading plan, Rick Warren helps us reimagine and practice what it's like to share our lives authentically with one another, love people well, and build community.

### BEFORE YOU BEGIN:

Join the "[Awesome: Building Great Relationships](#)" reading plan.

Members will need to download and create a free account with the [YouVersion Bible App](#) to join the reading plan. This reading plan is best done together. Have someone in the group start the plan and invite friends to read along together. Each day you will have an opportunity to answer the questions provided. Bring your answers to the group to talk about them together.

Complete Days 6–10 in the reading plan, prior to your second session.

### PART 2

It's time to dig into some content and grow together. Remember, this is a safe environment. Your input is valid and welcome, so join in!

#### WIN

Grow in your relationship with the other members of your group and with God.

#### CONNECT

Spend some time sharing how everyone's week has been and connect on a personal level through [icebreaker questions](#).

#### LEARN AND APPLY

Begin your time by reading these Scripture verses aloud.

*A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy person keeps a secret.* **Proverbs 11:13**

*I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.*

**Philippians 1:3–6**



*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.*

## **1 Thessalonians 5:11**

Discussion questions are offered in each daily devotion under “Talk It Over.” Choose four to five questions per group meeting to discuss.

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. Try to think of one friend you would call trustworthy. What characteristics make you think of them that way?
2. What can you do to become a “safer,” more trustworthy friend?
3. Have you experienced a time when prayer has helped repair a strained relationship with someone?
4. In what ways can you be an example of Jesus to others?
5. Instead of comparing or criticizing, how can you build up people in your life?
6. How can you develop more gratitude for people in your life?
7. What will help you continue to have gratitude for them?

### **PRAY**

You'll pray together throughout your time as a group. Ask God to allow what you've learned from the study to help you form new habits relating to your group members and those you love and connect with outside of the group.

### **WHAT'S NEXT**

Your group leader will send out specifics about your next group meeting.